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Washington, D. C. 20231**LETTER**

Dear Sirs:

First, thank you for your cooperation on July 2, 2002 discussing the outstanding matter with my assistant, Wanda Ruggiera.

As we explained, we have been going through status checks for various clients, and the client for this application has a number of other pending matters with this office. In going through the files, we discovered that a Notice to File Corrected Application Papers had actually been placed in the file and had not been properly noted or docketed. We also note that the Notice was not even mail stamped by our office.

We realize that the document was mailed from the Patent Office on September 14, 2001, and as you are well aware, the events of September 11<sup>th</sup> caused massive dislocation throughout the United States, especially in New York City. Indeed, our office was closed for several days, our phones were not working for over a week and the client for whom we do this work is located approximately six blocks north of the World Trade Center.

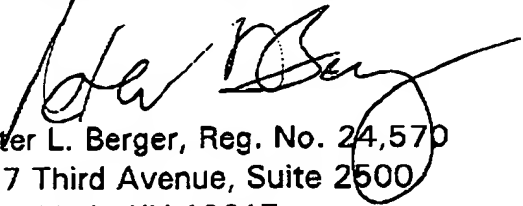
I am unable to offer any rational explanation for why this document was not handled in the ordinary course, but I assume that the confusion surrounding the events; the confusion in our office; and the confusion at the client all contributed to causing this Notice not to be handled in the manner in which we usually do so.

Since this matter is directed to informal drawings, it is respectfully requested that this does not deal with issues of patentability such as an Office Action from an Examiner on prior art. Therefore, we would ask that the office consider the unusual circumstances and issue a new date for us to be able to provide compliance with a newly issued Notice to File Corrected Drawings.

We respectfully request your cooperation and kindness in this matter so that this application can be restored to being a pending application for a client who well deserves some special consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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